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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clark County

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Amber L. McBride** (NC60080465). McBride failed to comply with a previous agreement.

Clallam County

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Jackie E. Huffman** (NC.10097032). Huffman failed to turn or check on a patient during the night; the patient was found soaked in urine the next day.

Grant County

In August 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Victoria I. Scott** (HC00128380). Scott was convicted of first degree theft and forgery in 2009.

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Island County

In August 2010 the Secretary of Health ordered **Kathleen D. Newman** to cease and desist from any and all activity constituting the practice of pharmacy in Washington unless she gets the proper license to do so or qualifies for an exemption. Newman worked as pharmacy technician without the proper license.

King County

In July 2010 the Hypnotherapy Program revoked the credential of **Maurice D. Brooks, Sr.** (HP10001487). Brooks was convicted of one count of federal social security representative payee fraud, and one count of federal felony theft of public money in 2008.

In September 2010 the Dental Commission ordered dentist **Ronald Brun** (DE00010828) to pay a \$15,000 fine and take continuing education courses for providing care that fell below the standard for a dentist practicing in Washington.

In August 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Barbara Duran** (RN60028834). Duran's license to practice as a registered nurse in California was revoked for unprofessional conduct including incompetence, or gross negligence in carrying out usual certified or licensed nursing functions.

In September 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Drea Lynne Gibson** (RN00121222). Gibson diverted unknown quantities of Demerol for her personal use. To disguise the diversion she replaced Demerol with saline solution and put them back into inventory for patient use, placing patients at risk of harm. She was also convicted of product tampering in federal district court.

In July 2010 the Chiropractic Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of chiropractic x-ray technician **Patricia Ann Hoolahan** (CX00000904). Hoolahan stole money from patient accounts in the chiropractor's office in which she was employed.

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program permanently revoked the credential of certified nursing assistant **Douglas B. McGregor** (NC60134132). McGregor sexually assaulted a resident at the facility where he worked. He was found in the resident's room with his pants lowered exposing his penis as he faced the resident; she was unclothed from the waist down and her legs were in the air exposing her genital area.

In September 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Cynthia A. Little** (RN00148026). Little failed to provide appropriate care for three patients while working at the neonatal intensive care unit at Valley Medical Center in Renton.

In September 2010 the Dental Commission indefinitely suspended the license of dental assistant **Shawnna Lynne Wood** (D160120671). Wood failed to comply with a previous agreement.

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Kitsap County

In August 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Lucas James Bennet** (NA60019420). Bennet removed a fentanyl patch from a patient for his own use. He also diverted fentanyl from another patient for his own use.

Mason County

In August 2010 the Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program revoked the credential of intravenous therapy technician **Jared L. Hargrave** (ES00105301). Hargrave was convicted of third degree rape of a child, sexual exploitation of a minor, three counts of voyeurism, and possessing depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct in 2009.

Pend Oreille County

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Kristen D. Nelson** (NC10071846, NA60125846). Nelson diverted Hydrocodone from a patient for her own use.

Pierce County

In September 2010 the Licensed Mental Health Counselor Program suspended the credential of **Sarah G. Kim** (LH00007708). Kim engaged in an intimate and sexual relationship with a client.

Snohomish County

In August 2010 the Nursing Commission permanently revoked the licenses of registered nurse and licensed practical nurse **Ethan A. Hansen** (RN00170167, LP00057938). Also the Nursing Assistant Program permanently revoked his certified nursing assistant credential (NC10084604). Hansen was convicted of two counts of first degree child molestation in 2009.

Spokane County

In August 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Russell G. Barnes** (RN00142399). Barnes failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Jesse A. Glemaker** (NA60141858). Glemaker failed to comply with a previous agreement.

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Teresa M. Hall** (NC10007969). Hall was convicted of obstructing an officer in 2009.

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Thurston County

In August 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Kyle Thomas** (NA60106483). Thomas failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Charles J. Watson** (NA60082350). Watson had sex with a patient.

Out of State

Colorado: In September 2010 the Medical Commission suspended the license of physician **Lloyd V. Olson** (MD00034954). Olson fondled two patients while they were under anesthesia.

Florida: In August 2010 the Nursing Commission accepted the permanent license surrender of registered nurse **Nadine Kulikowski** (RN00172202). Kulikowski's license to practice as a registered nurse in Florida was permanently revoked for theft from her employers totaling about \$102,000. This resulted in a conviction of first degree grand theft.

Georgia: In July 2010 the Medical Commission summarily suspended the license of physician of **Ernest J. Steinhilber** (MD00039123). Steinhilber surrendered his license to practice medicine in Alaska and he remains prohibited from practicing in that state.

Oregon: In August 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of licensed practical nurse **Billie Faye Olson** (LP00042888). Olson's license to practice as a licensed practical nurse in Oregon was revoked for failing to disclose an arrest and conviction of second degree assault on her license renewal application.

Oregon: In August 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Jannette L. Rickard** (RN00133869). Rickard voluntarily surrendered her license to practice as a registered nurse in Oregon.

Utah: In July 2010 the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery summarily suspended the license of **Martin J. MacNeill** (OP00001593). MacNeill surrendered his license to practice as an osteopathic physician and surgeon in Utah and he remains prohibited from practicing in that state.

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